

PHANTOM LAKES MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING
September 24, 2009
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Approved Minutes

Mark Carlson called the meeting of the Phantom Lakes Management District to order at 7:09 p.m. Other Commissioners in attendance were Greg Blohm, David Fait, Robert Muth, Steve Verduyn, and Waukesha County Representative Gilbert Yerge. Town of Mukwonago Representative David Dubey was excused. There was one resident present and one guest present.

M. Carlson acknowledged that the meeting was properly noticed.

Open Forum – There was none.

Announcements and Correspondence – G. Yerge commented that he had attended the Southeastern Area Land and Conservation Association on Lake Geneva. The clean water on Lake Geneva is due to very little watershed runoff and 20%-25% of the lake water is supplied from springs. There are currently still 27 private owned steamers on the lake.

M. Carlson commented on the receipt of 2 anonymous letters asking for the ban of automobiles on the ice during the winter, and leaving just snowmobiles and ATV's as the mode of transportation on the ice. The Board stated that they were not sure that banning automobiles on the lake would resolve any debris problems on the lake for there would still be ATV and snowmobiles used by the fishermen, and cars that may be leaking oil, etc would still runoff into the lake from where they park on shore. The Board did agree that the reckless behavior on the lake is causing safety concerns. Discussion of how to enforce an ordinance still remains a problem, especially at the cost of \$50.00/hour. S. Verduyn suggested the possibility of posting a sign of where to report reckless behavior on lake. The Board decided to further discuss this next month. M. Carlson questioned whether we could improve communications with the board by using more up-to-date techniques like Facebook, etc. We will review what is being offered now.

Secretary's Report – G. Blohm made a **Motion** to approve the minutes of the meeting on August 27, 2009; second by D. Fait, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – S. Verduyn presented the Treasurer's Report. G. Yerge made a **Motion** to approve and pay the bills, second by G. Blohm, motion carried. Total bills to be paid were \$8,458.82, and total deposits/interest of \$7.79.

Well Update – There was none.

Harvesting/Shore Conveyor Update – Aquarius Systems will be installing a relief valve on the harvester once it has been removed from the water. Harvesting will continue for approximately 1-2 more weeks and then routine cleanup and winterization will take place. The Board discussed various areas of the lake that may need more cutting.

Update on Harvesting Trucks – The army truck is up for auction online through Wisconsin Surplus and will be sold by the end of the month. The bed on the newer truck will need some reinforcement due to its age.

Fish Stocking – S. Verduyn stated that Gollon Bait is expected to be stocking Northern, Bass, and Perch within the next couple weeks.

Lake Address Signs – D. Fait stated that signs have been distributed to all the people that have volunteered to post their address on the lake. If there is anyone else who would like to have their address posted, they are to contact David Fait at 363-7017 or Robert Muth at 363-3136.

Lake Patrol – There were fewer patrolling hours and more citations issued this year. G. Blohm will ask for an end of the year report. G. Yerge made a **Motion** to have the District send a letter to the Town of Mukwonago to ask them to please maintain \$10,000.00 in their 2010 budget for lake patrol due to the fact that the lake patrol is essential for safety on the Phantoms; second by S. Verduyn, motion carried.

Update on River Protection Plan – The next SEWRPC informational meeting on the Mukwonago River Protection Plan will take place on September 29th at the Town of Eagle Hall from 6:30pm – 8:30pm.

Annual Meeting Review - S. Todd mentioned the possibility of trying to shorten the length of the Annual Meeting if at all possible. The minutes will be reviewed next month.

Septic Tank Maintenance Notices - G. Blohm stated that the septic pumping notices were late getting in the mail this year and there are numerous persons who have not yet pumped their systems. Those who are seasonal property owners are recommended not to get their systems pumped until next spring. G. Blohm will continue the follow-up for compliance.

New Business – D. Fait made a **Motion to** combine November 2009 and December 2009 meetings with a tentative date of December 10, 2009 for the meeting to take place. Also, to combine February 2010 and March 2010 meeting with a meeting date of March 25, 2010. Thereafter, the meeting schedule will return to its normal schedule of every 4th Thursday of the month. Second by G. Blohm, motion carried.

At 8:42 p.m., G. Blohm moved to adjourn, second by D. Fait, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Krause
Treasurer/Secretary Assistant